

Meeting Minutes
SOUTH DAKOTA ELECTRICAL COMMISSION
South Dakota State Capitol, 500 E. Capitol Ave
Microsoft Teams and In Person
April 11, 2023, 9:00 a.m. CDT

President Lyons called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m. Director Scouten called the roll. A quorum was present.

Members Present electronically: Sean Lyons, Dave Eide, Doug Fuerst, Russ VanDerWerff

Members Present in-person: Rick Cronin, John Hoffman (arrived at 9:51 a.m.)

Members Absent: Tor Sorlien

Others Present in-person: Pamela Scouten, Executive Director; Kenisha Ewoldt, Senior Secretary; Brent Schoulte, Electrical Inspector; Jeff Hotchkiss, Electrical Inspector; Larry Kippes, City of Sioux Falls Inspector; Matt Dullerud, Regional Coordinator IBEW; Darwin Jones

Others Present electronically: Jerry McCabe, DLR Senior Staff Attorney

Cronin made a motion to approve the meeting agenda. Eide seconded the motion.

MOTION PASSED.

Eide made a motion to approve the December 1, 2022, meeting minutes. VanDerWerff seconded the motion. **MOTION PASSED.**

President Lyons opened the floor to public comment. Comment was received from Darwin Jones regarding the Electrical Commission's personnel policy. Comment was received from Larry Kippes encouraging the commission to adopt the 2023 code.

There was no executive session.

Executive Director Scouten presented her report. She discussed work on upcoming S.D. Administrative Rules changes, and the commission engaged in discussion about her report. Executive Director Scouten intends to have a draft rules packet for the next meeting.

Executive Director Scouten outlined an application process for third-party inspections and intends to have more information in the forthcoming rules packet.

Attorney McCabe outlined the commission office's request that the commission grant the executive director authority to impose fines for disciplinary violations under SDCL 36-1C-5. Attorney McCabe agreed to prepare a policy for when such authority could be used for the commission to consider at their next meeting.

The next commission meeting is tentatively scheduled for July 18, 2023.

Cronin made a motion to adjourn the commission meeting. Hoffman seconded the motion. A roll call vote was held. **MOTION PASSED.**

Meeting adjourned at 10:57 a.m.